

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application: Daniel et al.
Application No.: 10/563,710
Filed: October 10, 2006
For: *Dry Drilling*

Confirmation No. 1603
Group Art Unit: 3676
Examiner: Thomas S. Bomar

Date: November 13, 2009

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO
OFFICE ACTION DATED JUNE 18, 2009**

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as shown. A two-month extension of time is submitted herewith. If any additional extension of time for the accompanying response or submission is required, Applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee, which may be required, or credit any refund, to our Deposit Account No. 50-0220.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 below

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims, which begins on page 3 below.

Remarks begin on page 7 below.